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Dear FCC Representative:

This letter serves as our request for a waiver for the 2017 filing deadline window for the USAC Schools and Library E-Rate program.

We filed our Form 471 on May 18, 2017, a week after the official filing deadline. The reason for the delay is that we were waiting for the required 28-day posting period of our Form 470, which we also filed a week late. We take full responsibility for the late filing of our Form 470, but we hope you will take our circumstances into consideration.

We had actually prepared an RFP for the requested services and were actively looking into options; however, during the time when we should have filed the Form 470, I was suffering from a period of significant illness. We are a small non-profit community library with a staff of two so with one person out, it took a toll. However, the condition that caused the problem (an auto-immune disease I had recently been diagnosed with) has now been stabilized and I am confident that we will be able to meet all filing deadlines in the future. We have participated in the E-Rate program for a couple of years now, and this is the first time we have filed late.

We humbly and respectfully ask that you allow us to participate in the E-Rate program this year. It has made such a difference for us, and we have been so thankful to be able to participate. As mentioned, we are a small non-profit, with limited resources, doing the best we can with what we have in a very under-served, low-income area in South Los Angeles. We appreciate your consideration of our request. Our contact information is below; please let me know if you need any additional information.

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Sincerely,

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